

May 25, 2005

York County Planning Division /Planning Commission
120 Alexander Hamilton Blvd.
Yorktown, Virginia 23690

To Whom It May Concern:

This application is a request for approval of a special use permit to authorize the establishment of a tattoo parlor within an existing shopping center location. We would like to establish this business at address 113P Palace lane under the name Paradise Tattoo. This property is zoned (GB) General Business and is currently available for lease by the property owner. The surrounding developments within the shopping center are Harley Davidson store, Pints & Pub (currently not open) Laundromat and cleaning services, Hair salon and Nail salon, Liberty worship center, and a hearing center. The location we wish to establish is vacant and waiting permit approval. Submitted with this application is a rendition of the proposed layout of the property. This establishment will use public water and sewer.

We have been in contact with the Department of Health and the DPOR and have received all the latest standards for tattoo parlors, which was updated recently for the new legislation that will go into affect within the next few months. Our technicians are already certified for the new guidelines and have many years of experience in the business. Our business hours of operation will be the same as the other parlors in York County, opening at 12:00 noon and closing at 10:00pm Monday-Sunday. We would require a standard backlit sign on the building meeting all zoning and sign requirements. Currently there is 120 parking spaces available the location including handicap spaces. The parking lot is well lit and should meet current guidelines.

We are willing to work with all neighbors and patrons with concerns that may arise. We wish to become a solid business in York County and participate in any business matters that may arise now or in the future. For the purpose of patrons and neighbors, our site plan is to have no visibility from the storefront or window of any patron receiving a tattoo. Currently there are two parlors in York County that have been in business for many years and we wish to build a long lasting relationship with the community as well.

In conclusion, operating a safe, clean and fun environment is our goal while bringing revenue from other localities to York County. We would like to thank the commission and board for reviewing our application and we look forward to working with you throughout this process and with future endeavors.

Thank you,

Todd M. Houle, Paradise Tattoo

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